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Dear Interested Party:

The Kaibab National Forest is now accepting comments on an Environmental Assessment (EA) that has been prepared to analyze the potential effects to Forest resources for issuing a winter resort special use permit for the Elk Ridge Ski Area. The Kaibab National Forest proposes to issue the Elk Ridge Ski Area permit to the new owners, Mountain Capital Partners, under the existing terms and conditions for the current permit. This permit would be issued using the current Master Development Plan. The operation would be limited to the use, repair or replacement, and maintenance of the existing infrastructure. No new construction or expansion would be authorized under this proposed action.

The EA, along with other information about the project, is available for review online at <https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56909> and the Supervisor's Office (address below). Additional information regarding this project can be obtained from Sue Farley, Environmental Coordinator, at 928 635-8331 or susan.farley@usda.gov.

Comments concerning this project must be in writing and may be delivered electronically or by mail, facsimile, or hand. Comments will be accepted for 30 calendar days following the publication of a legal notice in the *Arizona Daily Sun*, the newspaper of record. Publication of this notice is expected, but not guaranteed, to occur on October 8, 2019. The publication date in the newspaper of record is the exclusive means for calculating the comment period for this analysis. Those wishing to comment should not rely upon dates or timeframes provided by any other source. Regulations prohibit extending the length of the comment period. Individuals and organizations wishing to be eligible to object to a draft decision on this project must meet the requirements outlined at 36 CFR 218.5. Names and addresses of commenters become part of the public record.

Please mark comments "Attention: Elk Ridge Ski Area Permit Issuance Project." Written comments may be submitted via any of the following methods:

- Email: comments-southwestern-kaibab@usda.gov
- Mail or hand deliver to:

Sue Farley
Supervisor's Office
800 South 6th Street
Williams, AZ 86046

Business hours for the office listed above is: Weekdays, 8:00 am- 4:00 pm, excluding holidays.

Electronic comments may be submitted in Word (.doc or .docx), rich text format (.rtf), text (.txt), or Hyper Text Markup Language (.html).



If you would like a paper copy of the Environmental Assessment, please contact Sue Farley, Environmental Coordinator, Kaibab National Forest, Supervisors Office, 800 South 6th Street, Williams, Arizona 86046; telephone 928-635-8331, fax 928-635-8208, or e-mail susan.farley@usda.gov.

Thank you for your interest in the management of National Forest System lands.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Heather Provencio", with a stylized, cursive script.

HEATHER PROVENCIO
Forest Supervisor